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<p>Applicant requests review of the final rejection in the above-identified application. No amendments are being filed with this request.</p> <p>This request is being filed with a notice of appeal.</p> <p>The review is requested for the reason(s) stated on the attached sheet(s). Note: No more than five (5) pages may be provided.</p> <p>I am the</p> <table style="width: 100%;"><tr><td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"><p><input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor.</p><p><input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96)</p><p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record. 40,352 Registration number _____</p><p><input type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent acting under 37 CFR 1.34. Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34 _____</p></td><td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top; text-align: center;"><p>_____ /Larry Liberchuk/ Signature</p><p>_____ Larry Liberchuk Typed or printed name</p><p>_____ 914-333-9602 Telephone number</p><p>_____ 03/26/2007 Date</p></td></tr></table> <p>NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below*.</p>			<p><input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record. 40,352 Registration number _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent acting under 37 CFR 1.34. Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34 _____</p>	<p>_____ /Larry Liberchuk/ Signature</p> <p>_____ Larry Liberchuk Typed or printed name</p> <p>_____ 914-333-9602 Telephone number</p> <p>_____ 03/26/2007 Date</p>				
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Claims 1-7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 because it is alleged that the claims are directed to non-statutory subject matter since the specification indicates that some of the features are typically implemented in software ... and as such, lack a structural relationship ... This rejection is respectfully traversed.

It is respectfully submitted that claims 1 – 7 fall within one of the enumerated categories of 35 U.S.C. §101. The examiner is requested to review the following materials for clarification: In re Warmerdam, 33 F.3d 1354 (Fed. Cir. 1994), In re Lowry, 32 F.3d 1579 (Fed. Cir. 1994), In re Beauregard, 53 F.3d 1583 (Fed. Cir. 1995), and the USPTO Guidelines on the statutory subject matter under 35 U.S.C. §101.

Applicant's claims are directed to a "rendering device" and as such are statutory.

Applicant's claims do not require an underlying memory medium as the elements of the claims may be directed to software, but do not require it. It is respectfully submitted that it is improper to read descriptions of illustrative embodiments into the claims as limitations. The language of the specification including "are typically" is in fact permissive language in that it describes a situation wherein the elements may be implemented in software. Contrary to the examiner's assertions, the elements do not require an "underlying medium". A person of ordinary skill in the art would readily appreciate that a receiving module 111, for example, may be implemented in software, hardware, or combinations thereof, and accordingly, the elements of the claims should be understood as such. It is respectfully submitted that claims 1 – 7 are in proper form and an indication to that effect is respectfully requested.

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